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## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of

- 3 Representatives wish to express their sincerest condolences
- 4 to the family and friends of Barbara Krell, who passed away
- 5 on June 26, 2002; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Barbara Krell was known to many as "Mrs. Hyde
- 7 Park" for her 40 years of involvement and activism in the
- 8 community; she was a leader in Hyde Park schools and
- 9 religious institutions for many years; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Born in India to missionary parents, Barbara
- 11 Krell was raised in California and Arizona, where she
- 12 graduated from Arizona State College; she moved to Hyde Park
- in 1961 after marrying her husband, Eugene; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Krell served as president of the PTA board
- 15 for Murray Language Academy and the Kenwood Academy PTSA; she
- 16 served as president of the Hyde Park-Kenwood Community
- 17 Conference, was an organizer and chairwoman of the
- 18 Recreational Alliance, served as secretary and treasurer of
- 19 the Hyde Park and Kenwood Interfaith Council, and served as a
- 20 moderator of the Hyde Park Union Church; for 20 years,
- 21 Barbara served as secretary for the United Church of Hyde
- 22 Park and the Methodist Foundation, retiring in 1997; and
- WHEREAS, Barbara Krell's commitment to social justice and
- 24 a strong safety net for the disadvantaged infused her very
- 25 being; and
- WHEREAS, Barbara's dedication did not go unrecognized;
- 27 she was the first recipient of the "Good Neighbor of the Year
- 28 Award" from the Hyde Park Neighborhood Club; in addition, she
- 29 was the recipient of the "Community Youth Advocate Award"
- 30 presented by the Blue Gargoyle and the recipient of the
- 31 "Outstanding Volunteer Award" presented by Matthew House; as

- 1 well, the Hyde Park and Kenwood Interfaith Council
- 2 established the "Barbara and Eugene Krell Community Service
- 3 Award" and named her the first recipient; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The passing of Barbara Krell will be deeply felt
- 5 by all who knew and loved her, especially her husband, Gene;
- 6 her children, Craig Krell, June Krell, and Ruth Wernis; and
- 7 her grandchildren, Kevin, Rebecca, Scott, and Andrew;
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 10 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 11 we mourn, along with all who knew her, the death of Barbara
- 12 Krell; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 14 presented to the family of Barbara Krell with our deepest
- 15 sympathies.